

Capt. *BULFINCH LAMBE*'s
SCHEME for TRADE
WITH THE
Emperor of *Paupau*.



THAT we have been long endeavouring with great Expence to secure a settled Trade in those Parts of *Africa*, whereof the King of *Daubomay*, the present Emperor of *Paupau*, is now Chief Monarch, is a Fact but too well known; and that all our Endeavours and Expences, for that End, have hitherto been vain and ineffectual. But now, that the Offers of this Prince are so generous and kind, and his Power and Dominions so large and extensive, we may most certainly establish it with Ease and uncommon Advantage.

Should these Offers of Kindness and Friendship for the *British* Nation, from so Great and Powerful a Sovereign, be acknowledg'd and accepted, they would, undoubtedly, prove the Means of keeping up and enlarging his Affection towards us; and making the Trade Rich and Flourishing in the following Branches; his Dominions not only now extending themselves to the Sea, but reaching up Land to the Country of the *Mallays*. *

ENGLISH GOODS.

By the Consumption of large Quantities of our own Commodities, as Guns, Powder, Printed Linnens, Silks, Broad Cloaths, Serges, &c. which we barter for Slaves, Elephants Teeth, &c.

INDIA GOODS.

By || Cowries, Chintses, Callicoes, and most Sorts of *India* Goods, which we also exchange for Slaves and Teeth.

* The *Mallays* are Black *Turks* or *Mahometans*, whose Country is about the Middle of the Main of *Africa*, or, from the Coast of *Guinea*, half way over towards *Algier*.

|| *Cowries* are not only the current Money of the Empire of *Paupau*, but all the Neighbouring Nations, and are small Shells brought from *India*, which we Purchase of that Company by the Hundred Weight, and carry great Quantities to *Paupau*: They are vulgarly call'd *Blackamores Teeth*. The Negroes with a little Tool and a Stone make a Hole in the Back of each, and then put 36 or 37 on a String, which then go at the Value of 3 *d.* Sterl. but if unstrung, no less than 40.

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By Trading with the *Portuguese* for great Quantities, which they give not only for the Slaves, whom they come to buy of us, and are valued above all others, but also for our own, and *India* Commodities, which they buy of us with Gold, in order therewith to purchase Slaves of the Natives.

R U M and S U G A R S.

By our settling Plantations there, for which we might obtain Grants of the Emperor, according to his Promise, and the Natives would sell themselves to us for a small Matter, on Condition of not carrying them off, (which is practised now by the *Dutch* Chief at *Jacquin*) by which Means we should much establish our Interest there; and by this Means also we could supply all their Country, at easy Rates, with *Rum*, which they would like as well as, if not better than, Brandy, and which the *French* now supply them with in great Quantities: And, if it might be thought of Advantage to us at Home, or no Detriment to our Plantations Abroad, we might also make *Sugars* in great Quantities.

C O T T O N, I N D I G O, and G I N G E R.

These grow in the Country in great Abundance, being much used by the Natives, and might be greatly improved.

There are likewise several Sorts of Dying WOODS and DRUGS.

Besides all these Advantages, we are credibly inform'd, that there are Diamonds among the *Mallays*, with whom there is no Possibility of trading, but by passing through this Emperor's Dominions; a Thing impracticable but by his Favour and Permission: And very probably there may be Gold, and many other valuable Treasures, which may accrue to us in our Traffick with a People, who are esteemed so abounding in these rich Productions.

Capt. Lambe is to be spoken with at Janeway's Coffee-House in Cornhill, or at the Golden Head in Chandos-Street.

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Capt. Lambe's Case.



THE ROYAL AFRICAN COMPANY of *England*, thinking it necessary and advantageous to make a Settlement at *Facquin* on the Coast of *Guinea*, sent Capt. *Lambe* their Chief Factor, and several others for that Purpose; but all soon dy'd with the Distempers of the Country, except the said *Lambe*, who went about forty Miles In-land to purchase Slaves of the Great King of *Ardah*, then at War with his Brother; who desiring the Assistance of the Great King of *Daubomay*, now the present Emperor of *Paupau*, who was famed for War, his Army came down and surprized the City of *Ardah*, slew the King, most of his Great Men, Generals, and other Officers, and ravaged the whole Country, putting all to Fire and Sword; and there took the said *Lambe* Captive, and carried him to the conquering Prince; who never having seen a White Man before, received him with much Joy, and conferred great Honours on him, but detained him, till he was near four Years without seeing any white Person; and then order'd him to write a Letter to his Majesty King *GEORGE*, to give an Account of him, his Country, Wars, Conquests, Manner of Living, &c. and sent *Adomo Tomo*, with the said *Lambe*, to see the King and Kingdom of *Great Britain*; that, on his Return, he might give him an ample Account thereof: And, as a Token of the Desire he had of being known to so great a Prince as his Majesty, and to trade in Friendship with his Subjects, sent him a Present of forty Slaves. But the said *Lambe* not being able to get a Ship, that would take them in upon Freight to the *West-Indies*, was obliged to sell them on the Coast, and leave the Proceeds in the Hands of the *African* Company's Governor and Chief Factor at *Whidah*, who since paid the same into the Hands of the said Company.

AND his MAJESTY having been pleased to referr the said Affair to the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of Trade, the said *Lambe* is ready to obey such Orders as he shall receive, concerning his going back, with his MAJESTY's most Gracious Answer and the said *Adomo Tomo*, who will be a great Instrument in the establishing the Trade and Interest of our Nation before others.

POSTSCRIPT.

CAPT. *Lambe* designs soon to publish his Travels and Adventures, with the Manners, Customs, Laws, and all other Matters relating to those Heathen People and Countries, he having been farther In-land than ever any *European* was before; as also an Account of the Rise of the late Great Wars, Revolutions and Conquests, by which Means several Great Kingdoms were laid waste, in the Time Capt. *Lambe* was amongst them, by the most Powerful and Victorious King of *Daubomay*, now EMPEROR of *PAUPAU*.

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